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EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS : AUSTRALIA, NOVEMBER 1974
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

MAIN FEATURES

- * The number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding those in agriculture and private domestic service) decreased by 6,300 during November 1974. In seasonally adjusted terms, this was a fall of 33,700, compared with a decrease of 11,600 during October 1974.
- * This was the fifth successive month in which a decrease occurred, bringing the total decrease since June 1974 to 52,200 (70,500 in seasonally adjusted terms).
- * Employment in the manufacturing industry fell by 13,200 during November to 1,374,900, which is 54,900 fewer than in November 1973. There were also fewer employees in November 1974 than in November 1973 in the building and construction industry and in retail trade.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This preliminary statement will be followed in due course by the monthly bulletin *Employment and Unemployment* (Reference No. 6.4) which gives information in greater detail.

Reference period

2. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month.

Scope of Estimates

3. The series in this statement relate only to *wage and salary earners* not the total labour force. The statistics therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are employees in agriculture and private domestic service, and some

part-time employees. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as 'employees'.

4. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

Method of estimation

5. The estimates are based on benchmarks derived from the results of the 1966 population census. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. Current returns are of three main types:

- . payroll tax returns
- . returns from government bodies
- . other current employment returns (e.g. for hospitals).

6. Recorded employment obtained from these sources is estimated to account for about 90 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered. The balance (that is, unrecorded private employment) is estimated.

Government employment

7. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, radio and T.V., police, public works, factories and departmental hospitals and institutions.

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding. The figures shown are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
MALES										
1973—October	1,119.4	842.1	419.0	278.8	231.8	90.6	21.4	45.5	3,048.6	3,060.7
November	1,133.2	848.6	420.5	281.4	233.0	91.2	21.2	46.4	3,075.5	3,072.5
1974—October	1,128.8	850.2	429.7	285.7	237.7	91.4	23.3	48.0	3,095.0	3,107.2
November	1,125.9	850.5	425.7	286.0	239.3	91.9	23.4	48.7	3,091.5	3,088.2
FEMALES										
1973—October	621.9	480.7	208.3	152.6	129.6	42.3	10.8	27.7	1,674.1	1,674.1
November	634.8	487.3	210.5	155.5	130.9	43.2	11.0	28.2	1,701.5	1,690.4
1974—October	637.4	490.8	219.3	162.5	135.5	44.0	12.9	30.3	1,732.6	1,732.5
November	634.7	491.6	218.3	162.5	134.7	44.3	13.0	30.8	1,729.8	1,718.5
PERSONS										
1973—October	1,741.3	1,322.8	627.3	431.4	361.4	132.9	32.2	73.2	4,722.7	4,735.6
November	1,768.0	1,335.9	631.0	436.9	363.9	134.4	32.2	74.6	4,777.0	4,763.1
1974—October	1,766.2	1,341.0	649.0	448.2	373.2	135.4	36.2	78.3	4,827.6	4,840.7
November	1,760.6	1,342.1	644.0	448.5	374.0	136.2	36.4	79.5	4,821.3	4,807.0

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) For details of the methods used see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1974* (Reference No. 1.10).

TABLE 2. - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Private	Australian	Government (a)			Civilian employees	Defence forces (c)	Total civilian employees and defence forces
			State (b)	Local (b)	Total (b)			
MALES								
1973— October	2,202.0	263.0	485.4	98.3	846.6	3,048.6	68.9	3,117.5
November	2,226.8	263.8	486.5	98.4	848.7	3,075.5	67.9	3,143.4
1974— October	2,220.8	271.8	503.5	98.9	874.2	3,095.0	164.5	3,159.5
November	2,214.0	272.6	504.6	100.2	877.5	3,091.5	64.5	3,156.0
FEMALES								
1973— October	1,366.4	100.0	192.7	15.0	307.7	1,674.1	3.0	1,677.1
November	1,391.7	101.1	193.5	15.2	309.8	1,701.5	3.0	1,704.5
1974— October	1,393.0	109.2	214.7	15.7	339.6	1,732.6	3.1	1,735.7
November	1,388.1	109.9	215.8	16.0	341.7	1,729.8	3.1	1,732.9
PERSONS								
1973— October	3,568.3	363.0	678.1	113.3	1,154.4	4,722.7	71.9	4,794.6
November	3,618.5	364.9	680.0	113.7	1,158.5	4,777.0	70.9	4,847.9
1974— October	3,613.9	381.0	718.2	114.6	1,213.7	4,827.6	167.6	4,895.2
November	3,602.1	382.6	720.4	116.2	1,219.2	4,821.3	67.6	4,888.9

(a) Includes semi-government bodies. (b) Includes State and local government employees (4.8 thousand persons in June 1974) engaged in agriculture, or in private homes as employees of government emergency housekeeper services. (c) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. r — revised.

TABLE 3. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Forestry, fishing and trapping	Mining and quarrying	Extracting, refining, founding, etc. (a)	Metal products	Machinery and parts	Total founding, engineering, metal working (b)	Ships, vehicles, etc.	Yarns, textiles, etc.	Clothing and knitted goods	Food, drink and tobacco	Total manufac- turing (b)	Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services	Building and construction
MALES													
1973 - October	13.2	69.6	88.1	102.8	102.2	343.4	177.7	28.2	16.9	147.2	1,035.7	108.6	362.1
November	13.3	69.8	88.9	104.4	103.3	347.7	177.6	28.4	17.1	148.8	1,045.0	108.6	363.9
1974 - October	13.4	73.6	90.1	101.1	105.5	347.7	175.6	23.8	16.0	144.5	1,025.4	110.4	365.0
November	13.4	73.9	90.1	100.9	104.6	346.2	172.1	23.2	15.8	146.1	1,019.0	110.5	363.4
FEMALES													
1973 - October	0.7	4.6	8.8	26.1	19.7	87.8	26.3	22.8	72.3	55.5	377.7	8.6	20.3
November	0.7	4.7	9.1	26.6	20.0	89.6	27.1	23.1	73.0	56.8	384.7	8.7	20.6
1974 - October	1.0	5.1	9.8	25.4	20.4	88.7	26.5	17.5	64.9	56.1	362.7	8.9	20.6
November	1.0	5.1	9.6	25.1	19.9	86.9	25.3	16.6	63.0	56.1	355.9	8.9	20.3
PERSONS													
1973 - October	13.9	74.3	96.9	128.9	121.9	431.1	204.0	50.9	89.2	202.8	1,413.3	117.2	382.5
November	14.1	74.5	98.0	131.1	123.3	437.3	204.7	51.5	90.1	205.6	1,429.8	117.2	384.5
1974 - October	14.4	78.6	99.9	126.5	126.0	436.4	202.0	41.3	80.9	200.7	1,388.1	119.3	385.7
November	14.4	79.0	99.7	126.0	124.4	433.2	197.5	39.8	78.9	202.2	1,374.9	119.4	383.7
MALES													
1973 - October	103.9	222.9	98.5	129.1	238.9	453.0	148.6	52.7	109.4	278.4	90.7	128.9	3,048.6
November	105.3	225.5	98.7	129.5	243.5	461.4	149.1	53.1	109.8	279.7	92.6	130.9	3,075.5
1974 - October	106.0	231.0	101.3	131.5	243.7	460.0	154.8	56.8	117.2	294.8	93.8	133.5	3,095.0
November	105.8	231.2	101.5	131.4	244.3	462.2	155.7	57.0	117.5	295.1	94.5	134.2	3,091.5
FEMALES													
1973 - October	13.8	29.9	29.6	99.3	281.0	372.1	73.6	222.5	149.3	473.2	161.8	184.6	1,674.1
November	14.0	30.2	30.1	100.5	290.9	383.8	74.5	223.0	149.7	475.3	164.3	187.7	1,701.5
1974 - October	14.6	31.5	31.2	106.7	287.4	381.7	82.0	237.3	167.7	507.5	168.8	193.7	1,732.6
November	14.6	31.5	31.4	106.2	288.6	383.2	82.8	237.7	168.4	508.4	170.2	195.2	1,729.8
PERSONS													
1973 - October	117.6	252.8	128.1	228.4	519.8	825.0	222.1	275.2	258.7	751.5	252.4	313.5	4,722.7
November	119.3	255.7	128.8	230.1	534.4	845.1	223.6	276.1	259.4	755.0	256.9	318.6	4,777.0
1974 - October	120.6	262.5	132.5	238.3	531.1	841.8	236.8	294.1	284.9	802.3	262.6	327.3	4,827.6
November	120.4	262.7	132.9	237.5	533.0	845.4	238.4	294.8	285.9	803.5	264.7	329.4	4,821.3

(a) Includes manufacture of metal rods, bars, sheets, pipes, tubes and wire (except electric). (b) Includes industries not specified in the preceding columns.

TABLE 4. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

Month	Total civilian employees			Private/Government (persons)		Principal industries (persons)	
	Males	Females	Persons	Private	Government (a)	Manufacturing	Commerce
ORIGINAL							
1973 — October	3,048.6	1,674.1	4,722.7	3,568.3	1,154.4	1,413.3	825.0
November	3,075.5	1,701.5	4,777.0	3,618.5	1,158.5	1,429.8	845.1
December	3,091.5	1,703.9	4,795.4	3,631.1	1,164.3	1,428.1	857.9
1974 — January	3,087.7	1,687.0	4,774.7	3,612.4	1,162.3	1,424.8	838.6
February	3,097.4	1,717.8	4,815.2	3,635.9	1,179.3	1,433.4	839.1
March	3,109.1	r1,736.2	r4,845.3	3,658.8	r1,186.5	1,438.8	844.0
April	3,109.6	r1,742.9	r4,852.5	3,662.2	r1,190.3	1,439.0	844.6
May	3,118.1	r1,751.4	r4,869.5	3,676.1	r1,193.4	1,440.8	848.0
June	3,119.7	r1,753.8	r4,873.5	3,675.9	r1,197.6	1,437.7	847.1
July	(b)3,106.5	r(b)1,747.4	r(b)4,853.9	r(b)3,650.3	r(b)1,203.6	(b)1,421.4	(b)840.8
August	(b)3,101.2	r(b)1,741.2	r(b)4,842.4	r(b)3,635.5	r(b)1,206.9	(b)1,411.5	838.6
September	(b)3,098.0	1,737.5	(b)4,835.5	(b)3,625.9	1,209.6	1,405.7	837.9
October	3,095.0	1,732.6	4,827.6	3,613.9	1,213.7	1,388.1	841.8
November	3,091.5	1,729.8	4,821.3	3,602.1	1,219.2	1,374.9	845.4
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (c)							
1973 — October	3,060.7	1,674.1	4,735.6	3,573.9	1,161.8	1,414.6	826.5
November	3,072.5	1,690.4	4,763.1	3,599.6	1,163.7	1,421.7	835.0
December	3,080.2	1,696.8	4,772.2	3,614.0	1,163.4	1,429.5	836.7
1974 — January	3,087.6	1,700.5	4,788.6	3,618.7	1,172.9	1,426.7	838.7
February	3,088.5	1,716.1	4,804.2	3,630.5	1,174.6	1,428.3	842.5
March	3,098.6	r1,728.0	r4,828.1	3,646.1	r1,177.5	1,429.5	846.8
April	3,103.5	r1,739.1	r4,844.0	3,658.1	r1,181.8	1,437.6	847.0
May	3,113.6	r1,748.5	r4,862.1	3,673.8	r1,186.7	1,440.6	848.2
June	3,121.1	r1,755.8	r4,877.5	3,682.5	r1,195.5	1,440.7	850.2
July	(b)3,115.3	r(b)1,754.3	r(b)4,869.3	r(b)3,665.3	r(b)1,204.2	(b)1,427.9	(b)846.6
August	(b)3,111.4	r(b)1,749.1	r(b)4,861.2	r(b)3,651.5	r(b)1,209.5	(b)1,417.8	845.9
September	(b)3,110.1	1,742.3	(b)4,852.3	(b)3,637.6	1,214.9	1,409.8	842.7
October	3,107.2	1,732.5	4,840.7	3,619.6	1,221.5	1,389.3	843.3
November	3,088.2	1,718.5	4,807.0	3,583.0	1,224.7	1,366.8	835.4

(a) See footnote (a) to Table 2. (b) Affected by industrial disputes. (c) See footnote (b) to Table 1. r — revised.

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